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GENERAL POLITICAL.

It seems that the three colored men in the Legislature of South Carolina have saved the state from a disastrous fate before the House repudiating the entire state debt and the vote was so close that the three colored votes turned the scale. They voted against repudiation and saved the honor of the state.

Five members of the present Congress have already died—Welch, of Nebraska; Leonard, of Louisiana; Quinn of New York; Williams, and Douglass, Riddle, of Tennessee, has been taken home in a condition bordering on insanity, but his friends think he will be restored by rest and medical treatment. Another southern Congressman is under treatment for delirium tremens.

Senator Easton, of Louisiana, stated in the Senate a few days ago that no witness who was summoned before the Blaine committee would be intimidated, but could testify with perfect safety and freedom. Now it turns out that every witness who has started for New Orleans under a subpoena has been murdered. A mob boarded the steamer Caledonia on the Red river, took off a batch of witnesses and ruthlessly murdered them. This information has been telegraphed by officers to the attorney General at Washington.

The state canvassing board, at Tallahassee has completed the canvass, and gave a certificate to Hull (Dem.) his majority being thirteen. This result was arrived at by throwing out Brevard county, which gave a Democratic majority, on the ground that the returns were fraudulent, and Madison county, which gave a Republican majority, on the ground that one precinct was not included in the returns from that county. The Brevard county Canvassing Board has been indicted by the grand jury for making a fraudulent return, and its members are in jail in default of \$300 bail each.

Judge Porter, First Comptroller of the Treasury, has decided that the appropriation contained in the second section of the act of June 10, last, entitled "An act to provide for the expenses of the select committee on alleged frauds in the late Presidential election," was, by the terms of that act, made applicable only to the expenses of such committee as might be appointed by the Senate to investigate alleged frauds in connection with the Presidential election, and not to defraying the expenses of the committee appointed under the Blaine resolution. Consequently, until Congress reassembles and makes an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the committee, but little can be done.

Having secured control of the Government of the state, the Democratic Legislature now in operation at Montgomery has enacted laws which seek directly to drive the colored people to the wall. This partisan Legislature has passed an act, applying to all the large colored counties solely, that no man shall sell a pound of seed cotton, or any kind of cotton, in quantities of less than 300 pounds. In nearly all the colored counties white owners of farms have rented their lands to colored farmers, generally at very low rates, for otherwise the colored man would purchase land of his own. The object of this law is to force the colored farmers to divide their crops with the white owners from whom they have rented lands, in addition to paying in money. Under this law the colored farmer must get the white man to sell his cotton for him, for it is only the negro who is punished for selling seed-cotton—not the white man.

Colored children have virtually been driven from the public schools. Not a colored man now holds an office in the state; he is not permitted any more to sit on juries, nor is he even allowed to participate in any manner in government. The negroes have been robbed of their right to vote by the thousands, and the increased representation in Congress allowed the colored citizens has been usurped and stolen by the Democratic party. In Alabama the Republicans are systematically oppressed by local judicial machinery to such an extent that they no longer attempt to take any part in public affairs or political contests.

LATEST NEWS.

It is reported that 600 deaths daily are occurring in north Brazil from the small pox.

Col. Fred Grant has received a leave of absence to accompany his father on his trip to Asia.

There is terrible distress in some portions of Great Britain among the laboring classes. Disturbances and riots are feared.

The Ameer has run away out of his dominions and the whole Afghan country seems to be falling into the hands of the British troops.

The Treasurer has ordered all Sub-Treasurers to discontinue special coin certificates Dec. 31, and to make no distinction after that date between legal tender notes and coin.

The government has \$100,000,000 of gold in New York ready for resumption. The banks throughout the country are actually engaged in aiding the government in bringing about resumption.

There is trouble with Fitzsimons, the Democratic Marshal of Georgia, appointed on the recommendation of Senator Gordon. He is negligent in enforcing the law, and a sharp detective is on his track.

It has been ascertained that under existing law there were no funds to pay the expenses of the Blaine committee, that they have decided to wait action till after the assembling of Congress, and then ask an appropriation.

The cold spell at the north exceeds anything known for the last twenty years. The Hudson river is nearly all closed. The Ohio is closed nearly down to Cincinnati, trains are obstructed by heavy snows, and the thermometer rapidly sinking. Several people have been frozen to death, including one ex-member of Congress.

STATE ITEMS.

They have put 30,000, California Salmon in the Yadkin in Caldwell county.

State Treasurer Worth decides that cotton dealers shall pay the odious "privilege tax."

An effort is to be made to put the Raleigh and Augusta Air Line into the hands of receivers for a debt of \$150,000.

Col. Kelley has been appointed supervisor of Internal Revenue of the 5th district in place of Daniel R. Goodloe removed.

Big hogs are increasing in number in this state. There are a great many reported weighing 300 pounds, one of 650 pounds, and one in Ireland weighs 1,075 pounds.

A monument to Hon. W. A. Graham has been erected in Hillsboro. It is from the works of the N. E. Granite Company, Hartford Conn., and consists of five pieces of bluish white granite, resting upon a brick foundation, and is twenty feet high from the ground to the apex. Appropriate inscriptions adorn the north, east and west sides, the south side remaining smooth.

A gentleman has recently died in Edenton, named S. T. Bond, who traced his family back to the time of Queen Elizabeth, and who is connected with the Cottons and Haskins of Chowan. The Gazette says of him:

During the war he remained a firm and unwavering Union man without doing anything against his state or people, and accomplished much towards relieving the asperities of war. There are many men in this section, who owe their release from Federal prisons to his kind offices and intercession, in many instances unknown to them; whilst on two occasions at least he was one of the principal mediators in preventing the bombardment and destruction of our beautiful town.

Gov Swain.

That good old man who filled so large a space in the hearts of the people of North Carolina, in his message to the Legislature in the year 1853, uttered words that were golden. His words which are as applicable now as they were then. This was the language of the venerable and revered age.

The effect which it has produced upon the property of the state and the character of its citizens is apparent. There is in the state no commercial metropolis at which the interest of the community requires them to meet, and hence they are strangers to each other. The citizens of the West are familiar with the laws, the institutions, the politics and the towns of Tennessee, of South Carolina and Georgia. A few of them have visited New York and other eastern cities, but the individual is rare who possesses any accurate information with respect to Wilmington or Newbern. On our western border, Virginia is much more extensively known than the state which should be the great object of their affection; and on the south an extensive intercourse with Augusta, Savannah and Charleston transmits to them from the attachment which should centre at home.

CITY ITEMS.

James Heaton having been found in this city was arrested by sheriff Manning and confined in jail.

Messrs. Boatwright & McKay.—See double column ad. of the above old and well known Grocery firm. Give them a call.

The steamer Isis is to be put on the route between this city and Point Caswell, in place of the North East, destroyed by fire.

The Rev. Dr. Hepburn, President of Davidson College has been spending the holidays in the city, and is the guest of Mr. George Chabourn. He leaves for home on the 2nd prox.

Let none who are afflicted with chills and fever despond. Dr. Hart's Fever and Ague Specific is a sure remedy that has never yet failed to cure.

Messrs. Preston Bridges & Co.—This firm has a very handsome store on the west side of Front street between Princess and Market st. Their stock of Groceries is also very handsome and of the best quality.

A man has been arrested in Horry county, S. C., who is thought to be Tom Johnson, the outlaw and desperado, for whom a reward of \$160 is offered by the state. The sheriff of Horry doubting his authority to put him in jail let him loose. Sheriff Manning has written him to seize and hold the man for identification.

Christmas day was the quietest ever known in this city by the oldest inhabitant. There was a little fun at the corner of Market and Front, but the streets at 8 a. m., looked like Sunday. However, John Kooner finally came out—and the inevitable horns, and some people drank egg nog and rat good dinners.

LOCAL NOTICE.—The advertisement of Walters Importing Company, of Cincinnati, O., appears in this paper. They are large dealers and importers of foreign watches, and offer a bankrupt stock of watches, warranted one year for accurate time at only \$3 each. They are a reliable firm, and all that desire a good watch, for a small amount of money, should send to this firm and secure a good time-piece.

The Postmaster General has issued an order to the effect that after January 5th every description of matter produced by the type writer, the electric pen or pyrograph process, shall be charged letter rates of postage. First-class matter is held to embrace manuscript and fac similes of the same, except lithographs and photographs. The term "printed matter" is held to mean impressions from movable type.

TWO GREAT FIRES.—On Sunday night a fire broke out in Southland's stables and the whole building together with the hay were consumed. Fortunately the horses, carriages and harnesses were all got out and saved—the horses being turned loose in the streets. The fire did not spread to any extent to other buildings, although some were a little damaged. The loss of Mr. Southland was partially covered by insurance.

On Monday morning at 3:30 an alarm was turned on from the fourth district and it turned out to be in the steamer Underhill lying at Panole's wood and coal wharf. The wind was blowing a gale from the south-west, and the fire first spread on the wharf, then across Water street, and speedily to Front, taking down everything on the south half of the block up as far as Lippitt's ice house, and doing extensive damage. At one time the roaring flames threatened to cross Front, in which case the destruction of property would have been almost incalculable, because it would have passed beyond the control of the steam fire engines.

The sparks in great flakes filled the air and passed in showers of fire as far as seventh street, and at that distance set some buildings on fire. Total losses amounted to about \$70,000.

The losses were the Str. Underhill, fully insured, the str. North-East partially insured, the brick building of Mr. C. Stemmerman, insured for \$4,000, and all the rest of the buildings destroyed being the property of J. E. Lippitt, with a loss of \$17,000, insured for \$7,500. P. J. Cummings & Co. lost about \$4,000, insured for \$3,400, Kidder & Sons lost about \$10,000 of molasses, insured for \$5,000, Adrian & Vollers, salt \$1,400, insured for \$1,000, H. B. Eilers, Robinson & King, B. D. Morrill, and a few others lost lightly.

Mr. O. G. Parsley Jr. lost everything, including the str. Underhill, 500 cords of wood, 700 tons of coal, &c., on which there was no insurance.

Mr. Omar D. Conger and wife, of Michigan, arrived at the Purcell House on Saturday morning. He is the member of Congress from the 7th District of Michigan, and is now on his fifth term, having also been elected to the forty sixth Congress. He is a Statesman who has enjoyed a wide experience, and is recognized as one of the ablest and firmest Republicans in the present House of Representatives. We learn that he is to remain here over today.

George Fox, the comedian, "Humpty Dumpty" died from paralysis attributable to the "flake-white," laid upon the face for his comic makeup. Let ladies cultivate only the pink and white of health that follow the use of Dr. Hart's Liver Pills and Iron Tonic.

The study of the English language has become a passion among the intelligent natives in India. Their mastery of it is wonderful. Here is a specimen. It is a letter written by a native military official to his commanding officer: Honored Sir—Having been amputated from my family for some years, and as I have complaints of the abdomen coupled with great conflagration of the intervals, and prostration of all desire for work, with also the disgorging of my dinner, I hope your highness will excuse me attending at orderly room for ten or nine more days, and in duty bound shall ever pray for the salubrity of your temper and the enlargement of your family.—The commanding officer.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Rogers' Extra Early Peas.

FOR EARLINESS AND SUPERIOR quality cannot be excelled. White Marrow fat, Black Eye and other good varieties.—Early Snap Beans, Cabbage, Tomatoes, Radish Seed, Potatoes, and a general assortment of Vegetable and Field Seed of reliable quality, at low prices. Catalogues sent by mail. Special attention to orders by mail. C. B. ROGERS, Seed Grower, dec. 29 138 Market St., Phila.

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WE CALL THE ATTENTION OF our friends and patrons that we have just received an additional assortment of fine

Groceries, Confectionaries, Candies, Nuts, Raisins, Apples, Oranges, Figs, Cocoanuts.

Fine assorted Crackers, &c., &c. Also a Large and Select assortment of Toys, and Christmas Goods, Things which will make the Little Folks Happy and the Old Folks Smile. COOPER & Co., No. 10, South Front street next door to George Myers. Dec. 22

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Jan 15- COBURN BROS., Proprietors.
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OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Crown, Dehoss, London, Layers, Loose, Muscatel and seed. Raisins in any quantity

New Citron, New Turkish Prunes, New Crop Currants.

Gordon & Dilworth's Shaker and Ginger Preserves, Marmalades, Fruits, Jellies &c., &c.

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Pure Old Brandies, Wines and Cordials, Scotch and American Whiskies, for Egg Nog.

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So at last advice, Mr. O'Hara, who was the only regular Republican nominee, among the numerous brood of candidates, and who unquestionably had received a majority of all the votes

The Bayard family, of Delaware has remarkable record of political service. The present Senator entered the Senate in 1893. His father was his immediate predecessor, and occupied the same seat for eight years. His grandfather occupied it for eighteen years, and an uncle was also for many years a member of the same body. They were all good lawyers.

think that, we will also need a Hessian general, three major-generals, and six brigadiers, because 35,000 men, which this bill makes the permanent strength of numbers, amounts to a corps of 100,000, the equivalent of a first-rate general's staff, and I think three strong divisions or six strong brigades; but I do not advise any discussion at this time, because I know that as time progresses the pressure of necessity for these grades will lead to the consideration of the relation to the relative parts of the army as organized. I would prefer four regiments of artillery, eight of cavalry, and twenty of infantry to the numbers proposed in your bill, viz: Five of artillery, eight of cavalry, and eighteen of infantry. I think the measure of

The Indiana Supreme court has de-
cided, in the suit of a church against a
member that subscriptions made on
Sunday cannot be collected.

Pasquodank—Hugh Cole, Rep.
 Pender—Thos. J. Armstrong, Dem.
 Perquimans—J. W. Blalock, Rep.
 Person—Montford McGhee, Dem.
 Pitt—D. C. Moore, German, Dem.

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